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Subject: Covid roadmap - Episode IV: A New Hope

All,

Just closing the loop on a few conversations over the last 24 hours...

Some of us have wondered about preparing a short update to the 11 May Covid recovery roadmap (to publish in a couple of weeks time). The 11 May document has, since publication, been especially useful as a way of herding the cats of government - and publicly it has allowed us to show that we have a plan that we are sticking to. But the 11 May roadmap runs out of specific steps beyond 4 July. It might be valuable, therefore, to publish a short additional chapter/update which sets out a little more of how we will approach handling COVID through the rest of this year. Some of the obvious things we could cover:

- an update on implementation of the local whack-a-mole approach
- our approach to Sept/schools
- our preparations for Winter and any second wave

Rather than take a decision now about whether this is desirable, I suggest that the Covid team takes responsibility for starting to work something up - and then we take a decision later next week about whether we want to publish something and when would be the best time to do it.

Clearly, we'll need to make sure anything we produce on C-19 response works in the context of the PM's economy speech.

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